CITY OF COLLEGE PARK, MARYLAND REGULAR MEETING AGENDA ITEM



AGENDA ITEM: <u>21-0-11</u>

Prepared By: Suellen M. Ferguson

City Clerk

Meeting Date: 09/14/2021

Presented By: Suellen M. Ferguson

City Attorney

Proposed Consent: N/A

Originating Department: Public Services

Action Requested: Introduction of Ordinance 21-O-11 amending Chapter 184, "Vehicles and

Traffic", Article VIII, "Speed Monitoring Systems", by repealing, renaming and reenacting §184-45, "Systems Within School Zones and Within ½ Mile Of An Institution Of Higher Education", to authorize the placement of speed cameras in the City on highways in residential districts with a maximum posted speed

limit of 35 miles per hour.

Strategic Plan Objective: Objective 4: Enhance safety and quality of enforcement to advance our

reputation as a safe City.

Background/Justification:

In 2010, the Mayor and Council adopted a speed monitoring system for use in school zones and within ½ mile of the University of Maryland as authorized by §21-809 of the Transportation Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland. In the 2021 legislative session, §21-809 was amended to allow Prince George's County municipalities the ability to locate speed cameras on highways in residential districts with a maximum posted speed limit of 35 miles per hour. Ordinance 21-O-11 would include this option in the City Code.

Fiscal Impact:

Increase in the location and hours of speed camera operation will likely result in a greater amount of fines.

Council Options:

- 1. Introduce Ordinance 21-O-11 and schedule the Public Hearing.
- 2. Amend and introduce Ordinance 21-O-11 and schedule a Public Hearing
- 3. Discuss but delay introduction.

Staff Recommendation:

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Recommended Motion:

I move to introduce Ordinance 21-O-11 amending Chapter 184, "Vehicles and Traffic", Article VIII, "Speed Monitoring Systems", by repealing, renaming and reenacting §184-45, "Systems Within School Zones and Within ½ Mile Of An Institution Of Higher Education", to authorize the placement of speed cameras in the City on highways in residential districts with a maximum posted speed limit of 35 miles per hour.

The Public Hearing will be September 28, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.

Attachments:

1. Ordinance 21-O-11